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- On 1 November 1951 there were no regular troops immediately north of the Yangtze.¹ Troops there belonged to a local unit of the North Kiangsu Military District and were not well-equipped or very effective. Yangchou (119-27, 32-24) and the defense of the coastal area had been placed under the command of a coastal defense bureau.² In addition to a sea defense regiment under the command of SUN Chung-ming (孫仲鳴), the Chinese Communists organized a sea patrol battalion in Nant'ung (120-52, 32-02) and Lussuchen (121-38, 32-04).³ Each battalion had six or seven armed motor sailboats. Various independent regiments and hsien public security battalions were responsible for land defense.

- In early November, at a meeting in Shanghai, MA Yin-ch'u (馬寅初), vice chairman of the East China Military and Administrative Committee, stated: "We have information from different sources that if the Korean war is prolonged, the United States will encourage CHIANG's troops on Taiwan to land on our sea-coast. This will check our troops. They will not land first on Foochow, Amoy, Canton or Shanghai, but will land near Swatow."⁴

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coastal defense bureau had been renamed the border area defense bureau,
and coastal defense units renamed the people's border area defense units.

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the reorganization of public security forces along the East China coast.

25X1X 3. [REDACTED] Comment. Presumably there is one battalion for each place.

25X1X 4. [REDACTED] Comment. Therefore, regular troops are being stationed from Shanghai
to the Pearl River, with especially heavy troop concentration between
Nenchow and Swatow.